

Probably not really the 17th best zine in North America, but still lovable in its own pathetic way, it's...

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DEADLINE FOR ALL GAMES IN THIS ISSUE IS 10 PM ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1982.

I know we all bitch about the Postal Service, but life sure would be dull without the little goodies they get around to stuffing in the ol' roadside box every now and then. Just the other day, amid the Western Auto flyers and utility bills, what do I come upon but a slim mimeographed packet with John Leeder's return address in the corner. Imagine my surprise (yours too, if you got one) upon opening it to find the results of the 6th annual Leeder Poll! The accompanying explanation for this unexpected bit of information was that John had reconsidered his sale of first publication rights to Rod Walker because "Walker just wanted the monopoly in order to boost Diplomacy World's circulation, and thus, increase his power over the hobby." Yeah well, whatever floats yer boat, John...but at least I'd better see how DnD and I made out in the standings. Hmm...17th place for the zine; better than I'd expected for a warehousey rag with spotty regularity. And 9th in the GM poll: not as good as I'd like, but certainly tolerable. Oh well, on to supper, and I'll look at this thing in detail afterward.

Afterwards comes, and I get around to noting who's in the top spots. DIPI MASTER? BERNIE OAKLYN??!! Then it all falls into place -- of the top 24 zines, 19 are on the main list for the first time; DD, DW and VoD are in 47th, 50th, and 53rd place; and Eric Ozog's bringing up second place in the GM listing. Couple this with John's explanation of a precipitous move from Calgary to PA to sell some kind of Canadian Amway, and we come up with what has to be one of the more clever fakes of '82. I really have no idea as to who's responsible, but I'll send a copy to any of you who didn't receive it for a SASE. Pity DnD and I won't do as well in the real Poll....

BILL HIGHFIELD called the other night to check on the arrival of his orders, and we ended up talking for about 45 minutes. Actually, Bill did most of the talking, and afterwards I felt like taking a nap; that much enthusiasm is exhausting. Bill informed me that Modern Patriot #3 is slated to be a 20-pager, and I also notice he's picked up 4 orphan games in addition to his two new starts in TMP! I cautioned him to exercise moderation given the upcoming demands of college and Navy ROTC, but it sounds like he's pretty highly motivated to make a long-term go of pubbing. Rochester sounds like it's becoming a hotbed of telephone and now postal Diplomacy: a welcome relief from the continuing domination of the...umm, unique personalities and influences emanating from NYC and southern Calif. I wish Bill well, and I'm sorry I missed him and the rest of you jerks at Origins.

PUDGECON is probably the next event of any consequence in the hobby. From what I hear, it's at Olsen's place in Wichita the weekend of Sept. 11. My wife, who balked at a trip to Origins, is urging me to make this one. What the hell, I might. Only catch is, she's due to have our latest "sometime" around Sept. 20, so the trip could be touch-and-go until the last minute. But with both Toots and Luscious rumored to be there, as well as the personally-appealing prospect of not being the oldest or fattest person in attendance, I'd be crazy to miss it. Hope to see you there.

Two zines, one brand new, put out by a couple of you Dirties turned up in the mail for the first time this week. STEVE LANGLEY'S MAGUS #15 is a 20-pager complete with subzines (one by Mark Keller), letters, and movie and zine reviews, as well as other goodies. NORTH SEALTH, WEST GEORGE #1 is TERRY TALLMAN'S pubbing debut. Don't know if Terry can keep up the neat hand-lettered issues, but it looks to be fun and there's no Gf. Why not check out a sample of both of these? Steve's at 2154 Fairfield Rd., Sacramento 95815 and Terry's at 16047 28th NE, Seattle 98155.

1980 LP (DnD-1: The Toadies' Game)

SUMMER 1908: England -- F bal R BOT.

FALL 1908: THE TOADIES CALL IT QUILTS!

ENGLAND(Dan Stafford,12): F NWY S F STP(nc) H, A SWE-den, F BOT-bal, F ENG S F edi-NTH,
A pic-PAR, F bre-PIC, F SPA(sc) S F lyo-MAR, F wes-MID, F TYN-rom.

GERMANY(Keith Sherwood,15): A KIE S F bal-DEN, F BER-bal, A LVN-stp, A MOS S A ukr-SEV,
A BUD S & A TRI S A RUM-ser, A TYO S A tri, A VEN S A PIE-tus, A mar H/d/R(Gas,Bur,
OTB), F BEL-eng, A HOL H.

TURKEY(Mike Mazzer,7): F TUS-pie, F APU-ven, F NAP-rom, A ARM-sev, A ALB S & A BUL S
A SER H.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

England -- home,nwy,bre,swe,stp,spa,por,tun,mar,~~par~~,PAR(12)Even.

Germany -- home,bel,den,~~par~~,hol,war,ven,vie,mos,sev,bud,rum,tri(14)Remove 1.

Turkey -- home,gre,ser,bul,rom,NAP(8)Build 1.

The EGT draw has passed (somehow) and the game is over at W'08! Game statistics and any endgame statemnts you guys may have (eliminated players, too) will be printed next issue. Nice game, guys. PRESS follows:

GERMANY to ANKARA: Waldo?!? I don't get it. By the way, that last message was to 79 CS Turkey. I was hoping he knew how to break through and win after being stifled. Guess not.

STAFFORD to SHERWOOD: If Mazzer hit Piedmont, you're down one. I thought you stabbed me to go for a win. I may act like a dummy sometimes, but I wouldn't stab my game-long ally only to worsen my finish. Dick.

STAFFORD to DIRTY DAVE: Whose turn in the barrel? The GM is always the last to know these things.((Apparently...)).

STAFFORD to MAZZER: Right, Mike? Are you still there?

ENGLAND to TURKEY: Guess you've earned a piece of the draw, or rather, Snotwood has earned no better than a 3-way.

1981 CH (DnD-2: The Dodoes' Game)

SUMMER 1906: Italy -- A bur R GAS.

FALL 1906: TURK'S AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT DESTROYS HOLDOUT TSARIST FORCES

ENGLAND(Steve Langley,6*): F POR S & F ENG S F MID H, A BEL S German A ruh-bur(nso),
A PAR S German A bur-gas(nso).

GERMANY(Bill Highfield,11*): F bal-DEN, A MOS S Russian F sev, A war-UKR, A GAL-bud,
A VIE S A TYO-tri, A SIL S A mun-BOH, A BUR S English A par-gas(nso), A RUH S A bur.

ITALY(Stu Lancaster,8): F WES S & F NAF S F SPA(sc)-mid, A MAR S A GAS H, F GRE H,
A VEN S A tri, A TRI S Turkish A boh-vie.

RUSSIA(Tim Brown,1): F sev H/d/(annihilated).

TURKEY(Peter Robson,8): F BLA C A con-SEV, F RUM S & A ARM S A con-sev, A BUL S A ser,
A SER S A bud, A BUD S A boh-vie/d/(annihilated).

(More Dodoes')

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

England -- home,nwy,bre,par,POR,BEL(8)Build 3(was playing 1 short).

Germany -- home,hol,den,swe,war,stp,mos,vie,~~bel~~(10)Even(was playing 1 short).Italy -- home,tun,tri,mar,~~ppf~~,spa,GRE(8)Even.Russia -- ~~se~~(0)OUT.Turkey -- home,~~gr~~,bul,ser,rum,bud,SEV(8)Even.

WINTER 1906 and SPRING 1907 orders are due here by deadline on page 1. And thanks to TIM BROWN for playing out the Russian standby position to the bitter end. PRESS follows:

1981 CH Press

LONDON: An unruly mob, screaming for the mysterious "Englishman" and booing Lord Hume, blocked traffic in front of the Home Office for hours today. The state visit of Mr. Reagan, the German economic advisor, has been postponed for security reasons. Lord Hume has retired to Edinburgh to gather local support for his party.

EDINBURGH: Lord Hume spoke to a company of Highland Scots, praising them for their war-readiness. "If all goes according to plan...", Lord Hume started to confide, when the regimental pipers drowned him and his speech out in a flurry of skirling. "The man has no sense of security or intelligence," the band's master was later heard to comment. Meanwhile, shipwrights are at a premium all over the islands.

REAGANITE HIGHFIELD to REAGANITE BROWN: Sorry about your possible loss of Sev. You will be allowed diplomatic status in the great German Empire and I'm sure we could use your tactical expertise. Viva Reaganomics and our savior Pope Highfield! Sieg Heil! Heil Highfield! The Fourth Reich shall last a thousand years!

REYKJAVIK to EUROPE: Let's all gang up on Highfield. He has to be in bed by 9 o'clock anyway.

THE VATICAN: In his harshest speech since the outbreak of the Great War, Pope Lancaster denounced the German Pope as being a "right-wing, yellow-bellied sonofabitch, who gives head to Ronald Reagan." This blast came amidst rumors of the formation of the Reaganitic Cult, headed by the religious fanatic "Pope" Bill Highfield in Berlin. This cult takes young boys and girls to a remote fortress in Bavaria, where the "Pope" himself "shows them the ropes." "But Mommy, I don't wanna play castle with Mr. Highfield!", one 9-year-old girl was heard saying.

ROME to LONDON: Now your fate is in your hands....

BERLIN: Pope Highfield of the REAGANITIC CHURCH appeared today outside his royal palace and was greeted with cries of "Reagan is GOD," "Our Messiah is Highfield," and "In the economy we trust." When asked why we were fighting the Italians and Turks, President Highfield stated, "Nothing helps the economy more than a good war. Besides, they're almost destroyed anyway." His comments on Lord Hume weren't so pleasant, however, as he said, "Lord Hume is an insane idiot and since the British will do nothing about him, we will." Reporters then noted the departure of the 1st Airborne Battalion on a "diplomatic mission" to England.

ROCHESTER: William S. Highfield is pleased to announce his acceptance as a recipient of an NROTC Scholarship. I'll shape up the Navy! Look out ~~Russkies~~ ~~Communies~~ ~~Doodetals~~ ~~Libya~~ World!

BERLIN to RUSSIA: Sorry Tim, I goofed last season. I don't think you'll hold Sev.

 Response to the TACKY POSTCARD CONTEST has been underwhelming. Deadline's Labor Day!!

1979 CS (DnD-3: The ~~Telephone~~ Shysters' Game)

FALL 1911: ALISTAIR COOK HERE WITH EPISODE 22 OF "WAR IN THE TRENCHES"....

ENGLAND(Jake Walters,6): A bre-GAS, F mid-WES, F eng-MID, F nth-ENG, A KIE S Russian A mun, F BAL S Russian A pru.

FRANCE(Mike Barno,6): A MAR S F lyo-pie/d/(annihilated), A BUR S & A RUH S Russian A mun, F SPA(sc) S English F mid-wes, A NAF celebrates the stalemate(H).

ITALY(Civil Disorder,1): F TUN H.

RUSSIA(Tim Brown,6): A STP S & A LVN S A MOS H, A MUN H, A PRU S F ber, F BER S A pru.

TURKEY(Bill Hart,15): F TYN S & F TUS S F pie-LYO, F ven-APU, F aeg-ION, F con-AEG, A tyo-PIE, A SIL S A WAR-pru, A BOH-mun, A bud-TRI, A SEV S A UKR-mos, A GAL-war.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

England -- home,hol,kie,den (6)Even.

France -- home,bel,por,spa(6)Build 1(due to annihilated unit).

Italy -- tun(1)CD.

Russia -- stp,mos,ber,mun,swe,nwy(6)Even.

Turkey -- home,bul,gre,ser,tri,bud,rum,vie,ven,nap,rom,sev,war(15)Even.

Two proposals have been received for a 4-way draw. Please vote on this along with your Winter 1911 and Spring 1912 orders due here by the deadline on page 1. NO PRESS.

1982 CH (DnD-4: The Aliens' Game)

SPRING 1903: FRENCH FLEET SIGHTED OFF ITALIAN COAST; BRITISH, RUSSIANS MOUNT INVASIONS ELSEWHERE

AUSTRIA(Randy Ellis,6): A boh-TYO, A BUL H, A gal-BOH, A tri-SER, A vie-TRI, F gre-AEG.

ENGLAND(Jeff Martin,7): F NRG S & F SWE S F ska-NWY, F lon-NTH, F DEN S A hol-KIE, A EDI H.

FRANCE(Robert Kraus,6): F bre-MID, A BEL S English A hol H(nso), A PIE-tus, F WES S F lyo-TYN, A BUR H.

GERMANY(Peter Robson,3): A kie S/d/R(Ruh,Mun,OTB) F hgo-HOL, A sil-BER.

ITALY(Dan Palter,4): F tun-NAF, F eas-ION, A VEN-tus, A APU-ven.

RUSSIA(Richard Tucker,6): F BAR S A STP-nwy, A lvn-WAR, F ber-BAL, A sev-ARM, F CON S Turkish A arm-ank.

TURKEY(Mark Keller,2): A SMY S A arm-ANK.

SUMMER and FALL 1904 orders due by deadline on page 1. PRESS follows:

ARCHDUKE to SULTAN: Okay, I won't put words in your mouth. Would bullets be more to your liking?

GALICIA: The Austrian army stationed here in 1902 left this season after being harassed by the all-male residents here in guerrilla warfare-type fashion. The Austrian general, General Bland Chuckablabski, said, "Ellis really ought to give these angry men their women back. It's gotten so bad that we can't even be stationed in Galicia anymore without feeling as if we're Americans in 1969 Vietnam!" An hour later, the general was discharged, replaced, and executed by 977 Galician females.

LONDON: Recent bombings and assassination attempts in London are the work of London FOG -- the Friends of Germany -- a typically vicious German-supported terrorist organization.

MOSCOW to PARIS: Let's see, England builds F Lon and France builds F Bre. Very interesting. Are you guys sure you're allies?

MOSCOW to LONDON: Sorry, but I couldn't make out all your handwriting. When did you say you were going to stab France?

MOSCOW to SULTAN II: Support me into Ankara and I'll pay for your funeral.

MOSCOW to THE KAISER: See! The Tsar is nothing if not honorable.

SULTAN to WORLD: Can we let such an opportunity go by? Of course not. This is the Aliens' Game. What could be a more fitting end to this game than an ET draw? Nothing! So why waste time? Vote for the ET draw now!

GM to SULTAN: If I let you do that, we'd have to call this The Illegal Aliens' Game. Houserules, y'know.

1982 CP (DnD-5: The General Belgrano Pro-Am)

FALL 1901: AUSTRO-RUSSIAN RESPONSE TO TURKISH HOSTAGE CRISIS: TIE A YELLOW RIBBON AROUND THE AYATOLLAH'S NECK (OR DIE TRYING)

AUSTRIA(Larry McCloud): F alb-GRE, A SER-bul, A BUD-ser.

ENGLAND(Bill Hart): F nrg-NWY, F nth-DEN, A yor-LON.

FRANCE(Evans Givan): A mar-SPA, A BUR-mar, F ENG-bel.

GERMANY(Terry Tallman): F HOL S A ruh-BEL, A kie-MUN.

ITALY(Tal Seaman): F ion-TUN, A PIE-mar, A TUS H.

RUSSIA(Dan Stafford): F bot-SWE, F RUM S Austrian A ser-bul, A SEV-arm, A UKR S F rum.

TURKEY(Michael Pustilnik): A SMY-arm, F CON S A BUL H.

SUPPLY CENTER CHART:

Austria -- home,SER,GRE(5)Build 2.

England -- home,NWY,DEN(5)Build 2.

France -- home,SPA(4)Build 1.

Germany -- home,HOL,BEL(5)Build 2.

Italy -- home,TUN(4)Build 1.

Russia -- home,SWE,RUM(6)Build 2.

Turkey -- home,BUL(4)Build 1.

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Let's try Winter 1901 only by the deadline shown on page 1. PRESS follows:

PAR to LON: The French Fleet has successfully driven the three-toed snallygaster from the English Channel and back to the frozen wastelands of the North from whence it came. Now, perhaps, better communications will flow between our two countries.

MUNICH to PARIS: You'll forgive me if I hesitate to accept your generous assurance that my southern province is under no threat. I sincerely hope this is the case.

GM to MUNICH: Sorry, but that's all that was on file. I received neither previous moves nor press from you.

ITALY to OTTOMAN: Years must pass before we can determine which way we can assist.

DIRTY DAVE to PARIS: Yeah, that's me in TMP-2. Should be fun.

INFLUENTIAL PLAYER RANKINGS by Dan Stafford

Yes, another new ratings system involving modified Calhamer Point Count totals. This time with two major differences:

- 1) The Point Counts have been converted to a decimal system which is as follows:

win = 1.0
2-way draw = .5
3-way draw = .3
4-way draw = .2
5-way draw = .1
6-way draw = .0 (but counts for tie-breakers)
7-way draw = nothing

- 2) The base of rated games is constantly moving. Only the last 5-6 years of games will be rated. Currently Boardman Numbered games from 1976 through 1981 (Everthings 46-52 inclusive) are rated. And as soon as 1982 games start to finish 1976 games will be dropped from the rating, giving us about 5 years worth of games rated at each update.

The biggest advantage of this system is that inactive players will not clutter up the rating for very long--approximately 5 years after their last win or draw they will have no IPR points left. This rating indicates who the most influential players are (in terms of wins and draws) in the last 5 years.

Rank	Name	IPR	# of Wins and Draws	# of Wins
1.	Jack Masters	5.3	8	4
2.	Kathy Byrne	5.0	6	4
3.	Randolph Smyth	3.6	5	3
4.	Eric Verheiden	3.3	8	1
5.	Eric Kirchner	3.3	6	2
6.	Rick Kassel	3.3	4	3
7.	Bob Sergeant	3.0	4	3
8.	Bill Hart	3.0	3	3
9.	John Caruso	2.9	5	2
10.	Ron "Fish" Brown	2.3	3	2
11.	Paul Rauterberg	2.2	5	1
12.	Arturo Guajardo	2.0	5	1
13.	Gary Howe	2.0	4	1
14.	Bon Kelly	2.0	4	1
15.	Kerry Blant	2.0	3	1
16.	Steve McLendon	2.0	3	2
17.	Robert Kraus	2.0	2	2
18.	Bill Bryg	2.0	2	2
19.	John Vogel	2.0	2	2
20.	Stan Johnson	2.0	2	2
21.	Al Pearson	2.0	2	2
22.	William Schiwautz	1.8	4	1
23.	Bill Becker	1.8	3	1
24.	Lee Kendter, Sr.	1.7	5	1
25.	Don Ditter	1.7	4	1
26.	Phil Cooper	1.6	4	1
27.	Bob Osuch	1.6	3	1
28.	Rick Ragsdale	1.5	4	0
29.	Uli Baumeister	1.5	3	1
30.	Glenn Ledder	1.5	3	1

More complete list next update.



Have you noticed recently how KATHY'S KORNOR is shoving poor ol' John Caruso right out of his own zine? I understand it's supposed to be a cooperative effort (Kathy gets to do the writing, JC gets to pay for the printing and postage), but nevertheless, John didn't even rate getting his picture in the Origins pictorial section of the Dipcon Souvenir Booklet (Bloodsucker showed up 4 times). To give credit where it's due, here at last is a photo of Caruso at Dipcon, where his authentic Italian ethnic regalia lent a rare touch of class to the NYC contingent.

(PS to K.B.: Call me deadwood, will ya?!!)